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REPORTS

OF

THE SELECTMEN

AND

SUPERINTENDING SCHOOL COMMITTEE

OF THE

TOWN OF PYLMOUTH,

FOR THE

YEAR ENDING MARCH 1, 1865.

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REPORT.

The Selectmen in account with the Town of Plymouth, for the
year 1864. DR.

To the assessment of State, County and School taxes on residents,	\$6,149.54
the assessment of State, County and School taxes on non-residents,	33.00
the assessment of School house tax in school district No. 8,	30.84
To cash of Selectmen, for the year 1863,	60.75
United States instalment for 14 men,	868.00
County, for support of paupers,	272.42
Aaron Currier, note,	100.00
D. H. Currier, “	500.00
Mary Emerson, note,	30.00
John Harriman, “	100.00
Simeon Moulton, “	150.00
William Webster, note,	60.00
C. Webster, “	84.00
D. R. Burnham, “	1,000.00
Moses G. Tucker, “	300.00
James McQueston, “	218.46
James McQueston, administrator, note,	97.36
Susan H. Berry, “	200.00
Andrew J Morgan, “	100.00
George W. Smith, “	225.00
Sophronia Sanborn, “	330.00
State railroad tax, 1863,	378.56
Collector of taxes, for 1863,	125.00
State literary fund,	82.60
Sarah Perkins, note,	300.00
John Harriman, “	300.00
Washington George, note,	300.00
Washington George, guardian, note,	281.00
Hannah Weed, note,	230.00
J. H. Johnson, “	1,100.00
Enoch Ward, two notes,	400.00

George Reed, note,	300.00
J. H. Johnson, "	500.00
Ruth Avery, "	800.00
A. B. Thompson, note,	1,100.00
Andrew J. Huntoon, two notes,	700.00
Ethan O. Harris, note,	267.00
Louisa Martin, "	75.00
Samuel George, "	400.00
D. F. Cummings, "	100.00
Chas. W. Cummings, "	200.00
Samuel Melligan, "	200.00
Noah C. Cummings, "	200.00
Sarah M. Smith, "	135.00
Hiram W. Gove, "	100.00
George Reed, "	300.00
Aaron Currier, "	100.00
Lovina Pike, "	400.00
Eliza Penniman, "	100.00
Henry C. Webster, "	107.00
Benjamin F. Cox, "	125.00
George W. Ellis, "	800.00
Jane L. Severance, "	200.00
Chas. E. Sanborn, "	750.00
Lovina A. Eastman, "	500.00
Ephraim Greene, "	50.00
David P. Moses, "	750.00
Sarah A. Smith, "	750.00
Henry C. Webster, "	150.00
Louisa R. Wilson, "	120.00
Elizabeth G. Dearborn, note,	350.00
Jeremiah Cotton, Jr., three notes,	1,750.00
Lemuel Palmer, note,	300.00
Charles R. Clark, "	150.00
Simeon Sanborn, liquor agent,	50.00
State, for State aid,	1,915.73
Warren G. Heath, note,	300.00
Aaron Eastman, "	40.00
Robert Mitchell, "	175.00
Charles T. Wilson, "	50.00
Robert Mitchell, "	100.00
Lovina Eastman, "	300.00
Samuel N. Rowe, "	400.00
Rhoda Carr, "	600.00

Rhoda Carr,	note,	215.00
Rhoda C. Mudgett,	"	280.00
Laura S. Spencer,	"	300.00
James C. Mudgett,	"	143.00
Alexander G. Smith,	"	45.00
Sophronia Sanborn,	"	300.00
Mary A. R. Martin,	"	120.00
Nancy B. Barber,	"	290.00
Aaron Currier,	"	80.00
George Reed,	"	400.00
Thomas Shute,	"	400.00
James Currier,	"	100.00
Cash and abatements for 1862,		80.70
" " " " 1863,		263.13
State, for railroad tax,		526.61
On State notes, and assignments,		4,995.00
Simeon Moulton, note,		100.00
Nancy Howe,	"	100.00
The town farm,		119.77
Thomas P. Clifford, note,		300.00

\$40,324.47

State Aid to Families of Volunteers. Cr.

Paid Simeon Eastman's family,	\$60.00
Charles E. Sanborn's family,	40.00
Calvin A. Lewis'	128.00
Francis Gilbert's	156.00
Lewis Mitchell's	144.00
Abner C. Jones'	92.00
Edgar A. Adams'	79.20
Galen Eastman's	48.20
Hiram C. Philbrick's	96.00
Robert W. Haney's	96.00
Gustavus R. Cilley's	67.00
Timothy E. Bailey's	144.00
Plyna R. Gilman's	144.00
Artemus W. Merrill's	96.00
George W. Worthen's	48.00
John L. Baker's	135.60
Andrew J. Pervier's	144.00
Walter B. Farnum's	20.00
Henry G. Coffin, self,	48.00
George W. Lovejoy's family,	132.00

Arthur W. Butters' family,	41.60
Michael Sullivan's "	132.00
Benjamin F. Smith's "	48.00
Charles E Wedgwood's "	24.00
George W. Ellis' "	4.00
David P. Moses' "	4.00
Henry G. Coffin's "	48.00

Bounty to Volunteers.

Alston Brown, three years,	\$275.00
Ben Hall, "	275.00
Benja. F. Calender, "	275.00
Geo. W. Lovejoy, "	230.00
Lemuel Palmer, "	300.00
Moses G. Tucker, " reinlisted,	300.00
George W. Smith, " "	300.00
David Palmer, " "	300.00
John L. Brown, "	530.00
Dred Smith, "	530.00
Jerry Warren, "	530.00
Anthony Branch, "	530.00
Frank King, "	530.00
Edward Roberts, "	530.00
Isaac Smith, "	530.00
Edwin Diggs, "	530.00
Kiah Diggs, "	530.00
— Wiggins, " in navy,	530.00
Henry G. Coffin, "	100.00
Simeon Eastman, one year,	800.00
Charles E. Sanborn, "	800.00
Chas. E. Wedgwood, "	800.00
Charles W. Huckins, "	800.00
Benjamin F. Smith, "	800.00
George W. Ellis, "	800.00
David P. Moses, "	800.00
Thomas Smith, three years, including State bounty,	600.00
Patrick Cummings, " " " "	600.00
Albert Hamilet, " " " "	600.00
William McAlpine, " " " "	600.00
John Moran, " " " "	600.00

Substitutes.

George Butts, for Amasa W. Avery,	\$300.00
Peter Clement, for Chase W. Calley,	300.00
Thomas Shanchan, for J. W. Wardwell,	300.00
Charles Brown, for Thomas P. Clifford,	300.00
James S. Washburn, for Charles R. Clark,	300.00
Patrick Mulligan, for H. M. Rogers,	300.00
Joseph Clark, services and expenses recruiting in insurgent States,	466.57
James McQueston, interest on two notes,	100.16
Charles Spaulding, for bridge plank,	100.00
J. C. Garland, Small case, 1862,	40.30
Morrill & Silsby, stationery,	2.08
Chas. M. Fellows, Superintending School Committee,	52.50
Hiram Cross, interest on two notes,	141.38
J. H. Johnson, on note in full,	609.00
D. H. Currier, services and expenses to Norfolk, Va.,	150.00
Mary Emerson, on note in full,	41.60
J. S. Ryan, interest on note,	60.00
James McQueston, adm'r Miller estate,	97.36
Susan H. Berry, on note in full,	81.60
Edwin J. Morgan, “	54.50
James McQueston, on S. Roby's note,	218.46
J. S. Ryan, on note,	500.00
N. C. Cummings, on note,	100.00
John L. Baker, on note,	25.00
Frank H. George, on note,	40.00
George W. Smith, on note in full,	227.00
Frank H. George, “	118.04
Alvin Burley, “	194.57
James McQueston, adm'r,	99.55
George Reed, on note,	200.00
James Cochran, on note,	100.00
Sarah A. Smith, on note,	75.00
George Paine, on note in full,	209.46
Hiram Harriman, on J. Preston's note,	225.84
J. H. Johnson, on note,	182.25
James Cochran, on note in full,	105.33
Washington George, “	125.00
Sarah A. Smith, “	438.00
Lovinia A. Eastman, “	504.16
Lemuel Palmer, on note,	50.00

C. H. Spencer, on J. Cochran's note,	40.00
N. C. Cummings, on note in full,	108.45
C. H. Spencer, on note,	75.00
Maria M. Dearborn, interest on note,	19.77
S. A. Burns,	100.00
John L. Baker,	45.00
Warren C. Heath,	100.00
G. F. Rogers, on note in full,	53.58
Washington George, adm'r H. Brown's estate,	300.00
For the support of Lydia Church,	86.00
B. F. Smith, on Sarah A. Smith's note,	37.37
Van S. Bass, for printing,	1.25
Clark & Bowles, damage on highway,	25.00
Charles Hazeltine, damage for new road,	2.00
J. J. Nutting, plank on highway,	2.49
John Boynton, breaking roads,	2.70
Moses R. Chase,	3.70
Kimball C. Corliss, tax on female dog,	2.00
Henry S. George, interest on money,	2.25
Henry W. Adams, breaking roads,	4.40
Peter J. Walker and brother, expenses to Lebanon,	5.50
E. M. Wight, superintending school committee,	30.00
Liquor license,	20.00
H. B. Farnum, expenses to Portsmouth,	6.25
H. B. Greene,	7.00
Frank Greene,	6.25
McFarland & Jenks, printing notes,	1.50
Robert Cochran, public watering place,	3.00
John P. Blodgett, work on Pike road,	15.00
Frank Chase, for transient pauper,	3.50
Insane Asylum, for C. H. Adams and S. Currier,	393.84
Henry S. George, for Thomas Randal,	.60
R. M. Rowell,	1.00
Jeremiah Benton,	48.93
Wm. P. Crocker, surveying town line,	213.50
Pemigewassett Hotel, Campton line case,	23.50
John Farr, committee,	127.70
Schuyler Walker,	105.84
John L. Bridgman,	138.50
L. F. Smith, horse hire,	13.00
Joseph N. Smith,	2.50
Stephen York, witness,	2.00
Jacob Merrill,	3.00

Frank Chase, board, &c.,	4.80
Clark & Bowles, horse hire,	11.50
Thomas Shute, bridge plank,	15.91
John Clark, printing blanks,	.75
John Ferren, breaking roads,	12.00
School district No. 8,	29.00
S. N. Rowe, services as collector,	60.65
State tax,	1,680.00
County tax,	628.74
Gilman Merrill, for B. Keyes,	6.00
A. M. Draper, breaking roads,	14.86
Henry Wells, " "	23.12
J. S. Blodgett, breaking roads and plank,	35.58
Isaac Huckins, breaking roads,	11.00
John H. Melvin, winter road,	10.00
John H. Melvin, Campton line case,	5.00
Elliot E. Merrill, bridge plank,	16.14
David R. Bartlett, " "	2.65
Charles R. Clark, note in full,	152.28
S. N. Rowe, damage winter road, 2 years,	10.00
J. T. Cutter, for L. J. Webster,	3.00
Jonathan Clay, wood for L. Church,	5.00
Mason & Fox, for Thomas Randall,	77.50
City of Concord, for Elizabeth Meligan,	23.00
J. C. Cays, poll-tax paid back,	2.34
S. Currier, public watering place,	3.00
C. H. Young, damage on highway,	8.00
D. W. Bickford, " "	2.25
Calvin Clark, in Campton line case,	22.40
Calvin Clark, bridge plank,	16.63

Abatement of Taxes for 1863.

Cordelia Adams,	.67
S. K. Baldwin,	1.46
Jeremiah Benton,	2.34
Charles W. Cummings,	2.34
Charles F. Chandler,	2.34
Frank Dolloff,	2.34
Wm. H. Foster,	2.34
Pingry French,	7.00
Charles F. Clifford,	4.34
Hiram Hobart,	2.34
Alfred Kelly,	3.41

John M. Merrill,	2.34
Samuel Milligan, over taxed,	3.00
Mary Moses,	1.47
A. A. Osgood,	2.34
Charles Philbrick,	2.34
John Pulsifer,	2.34
Sextus Rankins,	3.45
Alonzo Stevens,	2.34
Charles E. Stearns,	2.34
Benjamin Ward's heirs,	2.93
C. J. Wood,	2.34
Guiles' pasture,	1.03
Arthur Ward, error,	1.95
Robert Mitchell, on dog,	1.00
Charles F. Durgin, nonresident highway tax,	1.00

Abatements for 1862.

Chase T. Clifford,	\$1.80
A. W. Merrill,	1.80
Samuel E. Merrill,	1.80
George W. Worthen,	.63
T. E. Bailey,	2.51
Benjamin Clark,	1.80
Van Merrill,	4.42
D. H. Currier, services as selectman,	56.00
Hiram Harriman, " "	42.00
Henry S. George, " "	44.00
D. H. Currier, " treasurer,	25.00
D. H. Currier, " recruiting agent,	86.00
John H. Melvin, " town-clerk,	25.00
Henry S. George, " " 1863,	6.00
Expenses of recruiting agent paid out,	158.77
Expenses to Lebanon with enrolled men,	42.30
Postage,	1.77
Stationery,	2.50
Revenue stamps,	9.62
Express bills,	1.00
Exchange on money,	7.25
Telegraph to Fortress Monroe,	4.89
Telegraph to Fortress Monroe,	2.40
Assignment papers,	2.00
Asa D. Barron, expenses on 5 men,	250.00
H. Harriman, Campton line case,	17.00

D. H. Currier, Campton line case,	17.00
John Nutting, for plank,	3.06
D. H. Currier, boarding selectmen,	6.00
Thomas Shute, for Mrs. Lovejoy,	3.75
Taxes in hands of collector,	375.26
Moses Pervere, for plank,	3.52
Several school districts,	855.73
N. F. Draper, for Mrs. Lovejoy,	23.25
J. Clark and Seth Doton, auditors,	4.00
10 volunteers, including State bounty,	6,750.00
10 assignment papers,	5.00
Telegraph dispatch,	.85
D. H. Currier, services and expenses to Concord and Lebanon,	19.85
Cash in selectmen's hands,	210.71
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	\$40,324.47

All of which is respectfully submitted,

D. H. CURRIER,	}	<i>Selectmen of Plymouth.</i>
HIRAM HARRIMAN,		
HENRY S. GEORGE,		

We have examined the accounts of the selectmen for the year 1864-5, and find them correctly cast and properly vouched.

J. CLARK,	}	<i>Auditors.</i>
SETH DOTON,		

Indebtedness of the Town.

On notes and interest, to April 1, 1865,	\$42,535.77
Means of paying the same: Due from State for State aid advanced,	1,645.80
Due from State, for bounties advanced,	4,100.00
Due from U. S. for bounties advanced,	2,954.00
Due from county, for support of paupers,	350.00
Taxes in hands of collector for 1864,	375.26
Cash in selectmen's hands,	210.71 — \$9,635.77
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Balance against the town,	\$32,900.00

D. H. CURRIER,	}	<i>Selectmen of Plymouth.</i>
HIRAM HARRIMAN,		
HENRY S. GEORGE,		

Liquor Agent's Report.

Cash on hand, April 1, 1864,	\$17.80
Received for liquors sold,	875.20
Received for barrels sold,	9.75
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	\$902.75
Paid for liquors purchased,	\$750.40
Simon Sanborn, agent,	47.00
Town Treasurer,	50.00
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	\$847.40
Cash on hand,	\$55.85
Liquors and barrels on hand, March 1, 1865,	206.50
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Cash and liquor on hand,	\$261.85
Liquor on hand, April 1, 1864,	131.67
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	\$130.18
Cash paid the town,	50.00
Balance in favor of town,	\$180.18
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	SIMEON SANBORN, Agent.

Town Farm Account.

Rec'd of Ira Jenkins, balance account,	\$6.77
Sewell Seavey, "	11.49
A. Pope, for work,	.12
D. F. Hall, for 1 pig,	2.75
Dea. Buck, for 1 calf,	4.00
T. J. Adams, for 2 bushs. corn,	4.00
A. Draper, for use of boar,	.25
Carlos Seavey, for 4 qts. oats,	.12
A. Draper, for tallow and eggs,	1.58
T. J. Adams, for 1 cow,	47.00
George Elliott, for 6 qts. oats,	.30
J. Clay, for cheese,	.25
George Fletcher, for 1 yoke oxen,	175.00
John T. Cutter, for 90 bushs. oats,	90.00
N. F. Draper, for pork,	47.56
D. F. Hall, for 2 lbs. butter,	.80
N. F. Draper, for 1 cow,	22.72

00.08	D. H. Currier, for calk-skin, pig and cheese,	5.57
00.72	H. Harriman, for old beans,	1.50
00.01	County, for support of Mary Huse,	65.45
00.01	“ “ Eliza Smith,	58.12
00.0	“ “ Mary Fox,	12.50
00.81		
00.2		
00.01		\$556.85
00.0	Paid Russell & Webster, for lime,	.45
00.2	agency, for gin,	.20
00.1	“ alcohol,	.70
00.0	Russell & Webster, for rennet skins,	1.00
00.0	for mending tin,	.10
00.2	for one basket,	.15
00.4	E. G. Morse, work haying,	6.25
00.2	for 25½ lbs. beef,	2.30
00.7	D. F. Hall, for 1 yoke oxen,	150.00
00.2	J. Pressey, for kettle,	.65
00.7	H. C. Greene, blacksmith bill,	6.93
00.0	Henry Adams, balance account,	.95
00.0	A. Stearns, for use of cider-mill,	.65
	J. Ferren, for use of bull,	1.00
	Andrew J. Hall, for 1 meat barrel,	.75
	Andrew J. Hall, for services on farm,	250.00
	D. H. Currier, for overseer of poor,	15.00
	Town Treasurer,	119.77
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		\$556.85

D. H. CURRIER, *Overseer of Poor.*

Schedule of Stock and Provisions on Farm, March 1, 1865.

1 yoke oxen,	\$150.00
5 cows,	140.00
2 three years old,	60.00
4 one year old,	30.00
2 shoats,	40.00
12 tons hay,	200.00
70 bushs. corn,	120.00
21 “ oats,	15.00
2 “ beans,	5.00
2 “ peas,	2.00

200 bushs. potatoes,	80.00
180 lbs. hams and shoulders,	27.00
131 " beef,	10.00
50 " lard,	10.00
40 " candles and tallow	6.00
100 " sugar,	18.00
50 " dried apple,	5.00
30 " butter,	10.00
40 " cheese,	7.00
10 galls. vinegar,	2.50
2 " boiled cider,	1.00
250 lbs. pork,	50.00
2 bbls. cider,	6.00
1½ " flour,	18.00
¾ " soap,	4.00
Garden sauce,	2.00
Groceries,	7.00
15 hens,	5.00
½ bush. salt,	.60
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	\$1,030.00

D. H. CURRIER, } Appraisers.
HIRAM HARRIMAN, }

REPORT

OF THE

SUPERINTENDING SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

DISTRICT No. 1. Summer term. Teacher, Miss HANNAH G. HOAG. Miss Hoag had a quiet way of imparting instruction and of administering government; with an insufficiency of that life and vivacity so necessary on the part of the teacher, to insure complete success.

Having made but one visit, and that early in the term, the committee do not feel prepared to judge of the advancement made by the school. We regret that a second visit could not have been made, but, owing to an earlier close of the term than was expected, it was omitted.

Winter term. Teachers, J. A. D. HUGHES, HENRY C. CURRIER. This term commenced under Mr. Hughes' instruction; but, for reasons of which we are not well informed, he did not prove acceptable to the district, and left after two weeks. Mr. Currier then took charge of the school, and under his instruction excellent progress was made for the remainder of the term. The district will be wise to secure more of his services as a teacher, if they can be had.

DISTRICT No. 2. Summer term. Teacher, Miss SARAH E. BLAIR. Miss Blair is so well known to the people of the town as a teacher, that very little need be said concerning her merits. Under her management the school underwent an entire revolution; and the committee confidently express the opinion, that the whole money of the district has not been as profitably expended for a long time, as was this portion of it. This school requires the best of teachers for both its departments, and throughout all its terms. The scholars of the district are those of no mean attainments; they will bear favorable comparison with the best in the State, found in the common schools. Such a school deserves permanent teachers;

its best interest demands them; and a judicious expenditure of the money to which the district is entitled would furnish them.

Primary Department. Teacher, Miss ESTHER J. KENDALL. Miss Kendall, also well known as a teacher, succeeded well in this department. She is among the best of teachers, particularly for scholars of this grade, and gave good satisfaction to the parents of the district whose children "know how to behave at home."

Winter term. Higher Department. Teacher, ALPHEUS C. OSGOOD. This school made fair progress under the tuition of Mr. Osgood. The order and discipline were good; but more animation and manifest interest in recitations and exercises would make Mr. O. a better teacher. Irregularity of attendance is a serious fault in this school, in both departments, and demands the attention of parents for its correction. The school suffers as well as the pupil, when so many are so frequently absent.

Primary Department. Teacher, Miss MARTHA HASELTON. Miss Haselton succeeded well in the somewhat difficult management of this department. Earnest herself, she secured the attention and interest of the pupils in their studies, and the progress made, especially in reading, geography and arithmetic, is worthy of mention.

DISTRICT No. 3. Summer term. Teacher, Miss MARY E. CLARK. Miss Clark is a good teacher, destined to become one among the best. The committee were pleased with the progress made by the school. So good order as was observed here at the time the visits to the school were made by the committee, foreshadows success.

Winter term. Teacher, CHARLES A. JEWELL. During the several visits made by the committee, Mr. Jewell was found busily at work. He is one of our *working teachers*. The district made itself his judge in extending the school by subscription. A poor school would not have been lengthened beyond the capacity of the school money.

DISTRICT No. 4. One term. Teacher, Miss MARTHA M. CLARK. This district showed good judgment in having one long term instead of two short ones. This was Miss Clark's first school. She taught an excellent school with the exception of allowing herself to be too much influenced by the *fault-finding spirit*, a product of ignorance, manifested by some of the parents of the district. Those who have never been taught how to read properly themselves, should not undertake to "teach teachers how to teach" that branch. Some of the pupils made as good advancement as any scholars of the town.